Steps to check smuggling activities

753. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have ascertained the extent of smuggling and the main items smuggled during the years 1982-83, 1983-84, and 1984-85;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard along with the quantum of goods seized under different heads with their approximate value during the above period; and

(c) what steps Government have taken to curb smuggling activities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) No reasonable estimate of the extent of smuggling is feasible, as smuggling being a clandestine activity does not, by its very nature, lend itself to any quantification. However, details of the main items seized are are given below :—

(Value : Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Gold	Watches	Synthetic fabrics	Silver	Diamonds and precious stones	Dangerous drugs	Currency	Others	Total
1982-83	1172	474	998	490	38	101	307	3342	6922
1983-84	618	866	1850	624	76	274	293	5174	9775
1984-85*	2191	909	1719	24	46	961	430	5728	12008

*Figures are provisional.

(c) The drive against smugglers has been intensified. The preventive and intelligence machinery of the Customs department has been reinforced in terms of manpower and equipment. In addition, appropriate anti-smuggling measures, short-term and long-term, are taken in close co-ordination with the concerned Central and State Government authorities. The trends of smuggling and seizures are kept under constant review for taking appropriate remedial action as warranted.

Direct tax revenue collected during 1983-84

754. DR. LOKESH CHANDRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the total direct tax revenue collected during the year 1983-84, and

(b) what was the percentage of revenue that come by way of advance tax?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) Rs. 4498.38 crores.

(b) Advance tax is payable only under Income-tax and Interest tax Act. The total Advance tax payable under these taxes come to Rs. 3007.56 crores. This works out to 66.86 percent of the above total.

Recovery through income-tax raids

755. SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA:
SHRI BIJOY KRISHNA HANDIQUE:
DR. LOKESH CHANDRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be

pleased to state the amount of recovery made through income tax raids during the financial year 1984-85, from 1st April, 1984 to 30th June, 1984 and from 1st April, 1985 to 30th June, 1985, separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): The number of searches conducted and the value of *prima-facie* unoccounted assets seized by the Income-tax Department is given as under:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

Period	Number of searches conducted.	Approximate value of assets seized
Financial year 1984-85 . .	4345	2507.59
1-4-1984 to 30-6-1984 . .	676	327.94
1-4-1985 to 30-6-1985 . .	1246	653.93

Profit and loss accounts of public sector undertakings

756. SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA:

SHRI BIJOY KRISHNA HANDIQUE:

DR. LOKESH CHANDRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) how many public sector undertakings earned profits during the financial year 1984-85 based on provisional working results and what was the total profit earned by such units;

(b) how many of the public sector undertakings incurred loss during the same period and what was the quantum of total loss; and

(c) how do these figures compare with their performance during 1983-84?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (c) The details of the total profits of the profit making enterprises, the total losses of loss making enterprises and the overall profit or loss alongwith the number of enterprises in each category for the years 1984-85 on provisional basis and for 1983-84 are as follows:

(Rs. in crores)

	1984-85 (On provisional basis)	1983-84
Net profit or profit making enterprises.	2261.27	1780.04
No. of enterprises .	105	109
Net loss of loss making enterprises	(−) 1305.15	(−) 1534.37
No. of enterprises .	84	92
Overall net profit/loss	956.12	245.67

Speeding up of decision-making process by the Directorate General of Supplies and Disposals

757. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of SUPPLY AND TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to give wider power to the Directorate General of Supplies and Disposals to Speed up decision-making process through decentralisation of administrative powers; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND TEXTILES (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.